News & Announcements

Adjusted Amounts for GA Tuition Budgeted in Sponsored Project. Effective immediately, tuition for graduate assistants included in sponsored projects should be budgeted at the following rates: $2,905 per Fall/Spring semester and $2,460 for Summer. All consecutive years should be budgeted at a 10% increase from the previous year.

Funding Opportunities of the Week

Arts & Humanities

National Endowment for the Humanities: NEH Summer Stipends Program. Program supports individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to humanities scholars, general audiences, or both. Recipients usually produce articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly resources. Summer Stipends support full-time work on a humanities project for a period of two months. Due: 9/26/13. Institutional limit applies. UL Lafayette can nominate 2 individuals for the program. Individuals interested in being nominated should submit a one page Letter of Intent to Ruth Landry at orsp@louisiana.edu no later than August 2, 2013. Template LOI can be found at: [http://vpresearch.louisiana.edu/resdoc/neh-summer-stipend-internal-letter-intent-2013/694](http://vpresearch.louisiana.edu/resdoc/neh-summer-stipend-internal-letter-intent-2013/694)


GRAMMY Foundation: Archiving and Preservation Projects - Preservation Implementation Grants. The GRAMMY Foundation Grant Program awards grants to organizations and individuals to support efforts that advance the archiving and preservation of the music and recorded sound heritage of the Americas. Due: 10/01/2013.


GRAMMY Foundation: Archiving and Preservation Projects - Preservation Assistance Grants. The GRAMMY Foundation Grant Program awards grants to organizations and individuals to support efforts that advance the archiving and preservation of the music and recorded sound heritage of the Americas. Due: 10/01/2013.


American Council of Learned Societies Program Number: Digital Innovation Fellowships. This program supports digitally based research projects in all disciplines of the humanities and related social sciences. It is hoped that projects of successful applicants will help advance digital humanistic scholarship by broadening understanding of its nature and exemplifying the robust infrastructure necessary for creating such works. Due: 09/26/2013. Link: [http://www.acls.org/programs/digital/](http://www.acls.org/programs/digital/)
Education, Health, Social Science, & Service

**GRAMMY Foundation: Scientific Research Project Grants.** The GRAMMY Foundation Grant Program awards grants to organizations and individuals to support research on the impact of music on the human condition. Examples might include the study of the effects of music on mood, cognition and healing, as well as the medical and occupational well-being of music professionals and the creative process underlying music. Priority is given to projects with strong methodological design as well those addressing an important research question. Due: 10/01/2013. Link: [http://www.grammy.org/files/pages/2014_research_guidelines_loi_final_0.pdf](http://www.grammy.org/files/pages/2014_research_guidelines_loi_final_0.pdf)

**The Kazanjian Foundation: Grants Program.** The Kazanjian Foundation maintains a vital interest in the overall efforts to increase economic literacy. The Board of Trustees will give special attention to proposals and projects with national impact that addresses the following issues: 1) The Foundation has an abiding interest in elevating the nation’s understanding of the need for economic education. It will support programs that raise various public’s participation in economic education and/or create a demand for greater economic literacy; 2) The application of new strategies for teaching economics including on-line and web-based instruction is of interest to the Foundation; 3) Projects, policy studies, or programs that encourage measurement of economic understanding more often and/or more effectively are of specific interest, and 4) The large number of students at risk of leaving school, and hence never effectively participating in the nation’s economic system are of concern to the Foundation. Programs that help otherwise disenfranchised youth and/or young adults with children learn to participate in the economic system are very important to the Foundation. Due: Applications are due by September 15 for review in November/December, or by February 15 for review in May/June. Link: [http://www.kazanjian.org/grants/apply](http://www.kazanjian.org/grants/apply)

Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics

**Directorate for Mathematics and Physical Sciences/NSF: International Collaboration in Chemistry between US Investigators and their Counterparts Abroad.** The National Science Foundation (NSF) seeks to enhance opportunities for collaborative activities between U.S. and foreign investigators. To realize this goal, the Division of Chemistry at NSF has partnered with the Fonds zur Fvderung der wissenschaftlichen Forschung (Austrian Science Fund) of Austria (FWF), the Fundacao de Amparo ‘ Pesquisa do Estado de Sco Paulo (Foundation for Research Support of the State of Sco Paulo), Brazil (FAPESP), the Agence Nationale de la Recherche (National Agency for Research) of France (ANR), the U.S.-Israel Bifnational Science Foundation (BSF), Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS), the National Research Foundation of Korea (NFR), the Fonds National de la Recherche (National Research Fund) of Luxembourg (FNR), the Russian Foundation for Basic Research (RFBR), and the National Science Council of Taiwan (NSC). The NSF Division of Chemistry will accept collaborative research proposals in basic research in chemistry, written in English, which establish bilateral collaborations between US investigators and investigators from the countries listed above. Due: 09/09/2013. Link: [http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2013/nsf13573/nsf13573.htm](http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2013/nsf13573/nsf13573.htm)

**Tree Research and Education Endowment Fund: Jack Kimmel International Grants.** Funds of up to $10,000 provide research project support to arboriculture and urban forestry researchers all over the world. The Kimmel grant program is administered by the TREE Fund, with evaluation input from the Canadian TREE Fund. Priority funding areas include root and soil management, planting and establishment, plant health care, risk assessment and worker safety, and urban forestry. Projects are expected to be completed within a one- to three-year period. Grant award amounts will vary depending on the adjudged value of the project relative to the needs of the arboriculture community. Due: 10/01/2013. Link: [http://www.treefund.org/grants/research-grants](http://www.treefund.org/grants/research-grants)
Consortium for Ocean Leadership: Workshop Funding. The U.S. Science Support Program sponsors workshops to promote the development of new ideas to study the Earth's processes and history via scientific ocean drilling. Due: 08/28/2013. Link: http://iodp-usssp.org/funding/workshops/submit-a-proposal/

National Energy Technology Laboratory/Department of Energy: Unconventional Gas and Oil Technologies. The intent of this Department of Energy (DOE), National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL) funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to select and award projects in FY13 that focus on improving the environmental performance of shale gas, tight oil, and tight gas resource development. This can be achieved by mitigating issues related to wellbore integrity and zonal isolation (protecting shallow groundwater resources) and by reducing water usage, air emissions, and resource degradation through better unconventional resource stimulation that appropriately matches technology to local geologic and hydrologic conditions. This announcement is a critical component of the DOE portfolio to advance the environmentally-sound development of unconventional domestic natural gas and oil resources and it will support ongoing programmatic efforts to (1) improve our understanding of the nature and impacts of unconventional resource development, (2) develop improved technologies and engineering practices to ensure these resources are developed safely and with minimal environmental impact, and (3) increase supply of U.S. oil and gas resources in order to enhance national energy security and further reduce energy imports. Due: 08/28/2013. Link: https://www.fedconnect.net/FedConnect/PublicPages/PublicSearch/Public_Opportunities.aspx

National Science Foundation: Advancing Digitization of Biodiversity Collections (ADBC). This program seeks to enhance and expand the national resource of digital data documenting existing vouched biological and paleontological collections and to advance scientific knowledge by improving access to digitized information (including images) residing in vouched scientific collections across the United States. The information associated with various collections of organisms, such as geographic, paleogeographic and stratigraphic distribution, environmental habitat data, phenology, information about associated organisms, collector field notes, and tissues and molecular data extracted from the specimens, is a rich resource providing the baseline from which to further biodiversity research and provide critical information about existing gaps in our knowledge of life on earth. The national resource is structured at three levels: a central coordinating organization, a series of thematic networks based on an important research theme, and the physical collections. The national resource builds upon a sizable existing national investment in curation of the physical objects in scientific collections and contributes vitally to scientific research and technology interests in the United States. It will become an invaluable tool in understanding contemporary biological issues and challenges. This solicitation focuses on proposals for Thematic Collections Networks (TCN) and proposals for Partners to Existing Networks (PEN) to link with existing TCNs, outlined below. Improvements to individual collections are supported through CSBR. Proposals for Thematic Collections Networks (TCNs): Thematic Collections Network (TCN) proposals will be submissions for two-to-four year awards to digitize existing specimens based on a particular research theme. This research theme may be a grand challenge for biodiversity, a part of a grand challenge, or another important research theme requiring information from existing collections. Specimens to be digitized should be of critical importance to the research theme and the criteria for the specimen assessment should be indicated in the proposal. Proposals for Partners to Existing Networks (PENs): Proposals to partner with and further the efforts of ongoing NSF-funded TCNs are encouraged. The new partners must increase the number of specimens digitized in the ongoing project and fill gaps not addressed by the specimens in the existing TCN. The existing TCNs are working to integrate data via the National Resource for Digitization of Biological Collections: Integrated Digitized Biocollections at the University of Florida (iDigBio). NOTE: This is a limited submission program. Only one Thematic Collections Networks (TCN) proposal may be submitted by any one organization as the lead organization. Organizations may be involved in more than one collaborative effort as a non-lead proposal. Individuals interested in submitting a proposal in response to this program solicitation, email Abby Guillory at abby@louisiana.edu no later than July 26, 2013. Due: 10/18/2013. Link: http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2013/nsf13569/nsf13569.htm
National Science Foundation: Partnerships for Innovation: *Accelerating Innovation Research- Technology Translation (PFI: AIR-TT)*. The NSF Partnerships for Innovation (PFI) program within the Division of Industrial Innovation and Partnerships (IIP) is an umbrella for two complementary subprograms, Accelerating Innovation Research (AIR) and Building Innovation Capacity (BIC). In the final analysis, both programs are concerned with the movement of academic research discoveries into the marketplace although each focuses on different stages along the innovation spectrum. The subject of this solicitation is PFI: AIR Technology Translation (TT) only. The PFI: AIR-TT solicitation is intended to help bridge the funding gap between existing research discoveries that validate relevant science and engineering fundamentals and their translation through proof-of-concept, prototype, or scale-up along a path toward commercialization and engage faculty and students in entrepreneurial/innovative thinking. Due: Letter of Intent due October 07, 2013; Full Proposal due November 13, 2013. Link: [http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2013/nsf13575/nsf13575.htm?WT.mc_id=US NSF_25&WT.mc_ev=click](http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2013/nsf13575/nsf13575.htm?WT.mc_id=US NSF_25&WT.mc_ev=click)

Tree Research and Education Endowment Fund: *John Z. Duling Grants*. Funds of up to $10,000 provide seed funding or partial support for innovative research and technology transfer projects that have the potential to benefit the everyday work of arborists. Priority funding areas include root and soil management, planting and establishment, plant health care, risk assessment and worker safety, and urban forestry. Projects are expected to be completed within one to three years. Due: 10/01/2013. Link: [http://www.treefund.org/grants/research-grants](http://www.treefund.org/grants/research-grants)